

ONECOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Onecote Parish Council held on Wednesday 27th May 2026 at 8:00pm

Present Cllr. M. Evenden - Chair
Cllr A. Johnson
Cllr. B Swindells
Cllr. P. Tagg
Cllr. E. Walker
Cllr. A. Weaver

In attendance:
Cllr. Jonathan Kempster

1. Election of Chair for 2026/27

Cllr B. Swindells proposed Cllr M. Evenden for the position of Chair, seconded by Cllr. P. Tagg. There being no other candidates Cllr. M. Evenden was elected as Chair of the council.

2. Election of Vice-Chair for 2026/27

Cllr A. Johnson proposed Cllr P. Tagg for the position of Vice-Chair, seconded by Cllr. E. Walker. There being no other candidates Cllr. P. Tagg was elected as Vice-Chair of the council.

3. Declaration of Acceptance of Office

The declarations of Acceptance of Office were signed by Cllr. M. Evenden and Cllr. P. Tagg in the presence of the Proper Officer of the Council.

4. Apologies.

Cllr. J. Stone

5. Declarations of Interest

None.

6 Minutes

6.a Minutes of the meeting held on 28th April 2026 were proposed a correct record by Cllr. M. Evenden and seconded by Cllr. E. Walker.

7. Public Participation

None.

8. To Adopt

a. Standing Orders

Motion to adopt proposed by Cllr. Evenden and seconded by Cllr. Swindells. Motion approved.

- b. Financial Regulations
Amended so that all limits are quoted inclusive of VAT. Motion to adopt proposed by Cllr. Walker and seconded by Cllr. Weaver. Motion approved.
- c. IT Policy
Motion to adopt proposed by Cllr. Tagg and seconded by Cllr. Johnson. Motion approved. To be reviewed to ensure management and operation of cemetery taken into account.

9. Actions and Updates Arising from previous meeting

The 30mph repeater sign has been repaired, Highways report 4493944

10. Planning – Applications

None.

11. Reports of Committees and Outside Bodies

None notified

12. Correspondence

12.a General emails had been forwarded to the parish Councillors.

12.b Onecote Cemetery Report

Drainage work will commence when ground conditions permit. Sign designs approved, proposed by Cllr. Swindells and seconded by Cllr. Walker. Clerk to progress.

13. Accounts

13.a Payments

None.

Bank balance £6,984-03 as at 27 May 2026.

14. Projects

14.a Bus Shelter

The Swallows have returned which will limit progress.

14.b Traffic Speed reduction

Cllr. Evenden will contact Aron Brown from SCC for advice / guidance. There is concern that SCC have paused the approval process for SID's whilst a review is conducted.

15. Highways

15.a Reports of defects.

The resurfacing of Douse Lane has a number of faults. Report for Highways to be prepared.

16 Any Other Business

Longnor Open Gardens takes place on 14th June. £5 entry.

Cllr. Walker enquired if it was feasible to provide a water supply in the cemetery. After some discussion the conclusion was it could not be justified given the cost and quite limited use.

17. Date of the next meeting

Next meeting Wednesday 23rd June 2026